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Mayor Healy & City Officials to Cut Ribbon on the Lafayette Pool & Aquatic Center

\$5.2 Million Aquatic Center Provides Additional Recreational Facility for City Youth

JERSEY CITY — **Mayor Jerramiah T. Healy**, members of the **City Council** and representatives from the **Department of Public Works/Division of Architecture** and the **Recreation Department** will cut the ribbon on the new **\$5.2 million Lafayette Pool and Aquatic Center** during a **12 noon** ceremony on **Friday, July 1, 2011**, at the facility located at the corner of Johnston Avenue and Van Horne Street.

“Creating recreational opportunities for our city youth has been a top priority of my administration and I am looking forward to seeing children from around our city and from the immediate Lafayette neighborhood enjoying this pool during the summer months,” said **Mayor Healy**. “This facility is a great addition to this community and we know it will compliment the recently renovated Dr. Ercel F. Webb Park and be a great asset to the residents of this area.”

The **Lafayette Pool & Aquatic Center** consists of the following features: An 8-lane competition pool with integrated wheelchair/handicap access ramp, an administration building with an office and first aid facility, lockers and changing areas, a concession building, an activity pool with zero depth entry and three (3) water features, a shade structure, a parking lot, a basketball court, and landscaping. Water features consist of a waterslide with four slides, Splashing Tree Frogs and one Aquabrella.

Pool hours are **Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.** and **Saturdays, Sundays and holidays from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.** weather permitting. Lap swim will be held Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m.

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